## IN RECOGNITION OF "DIVERSITY AND FAIR HOUSING RECOGNITION WEEK"

WHEREAS, Augusta, Georgia is committed to celebrating diversity in all aspects of life's endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Augusta, Georgia proposes to establish a "Diversity Initiative and a Fair Housing Action Plan" to encourage diversity and address the needs of its citizens, especially those of low-and moderate-income; and

WHEREAS, Augusta, Georgia will demonstrate the leadership to administer a Diversity Initiative and to customize a Fair Housing Action Plan to identify, prioritize and resolve local concerns in order to establish and insure the availability of fair, affordable housing, fair lending practices and a process to review and resolve housing related complaints; and

WHEREAS, the Diversity Initiative and Fair Housing Action Plan can have a significant impact on Augusta community life, and on our local housing and lending/mortgage market, providing opportunities for training, information sharing, compliance management and counseling.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim the week of October 13th through 17th, 2003, as "DIVERSITY AND FAIR HOUSING RECOGNITION WEEK" in Augusta, Georgia and urge all citizens to join us in recognizing Diversity and Fair Housing and the important role they play in our community.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia to be affixed this 13th day of October 2003.